



FICMNEW - public meeting agenda DRAFT

27-January-2016, 2:30 PM eastern

Attendees: MaryAnn Rondinella (FHWA, co-chair), Annie Simpson (USGS, co-chair), Jonathan Jones (APHIS), Terri Hogan (NPS), Jil Swearingen (NPS), Mike Ielmini (USFS), William Carromero (USFS), Lee Van Wyche (WSSA), Guest: Scott Cameron, President, RRISC

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Facilitated by MaryAnn Rondinella

ACTIONS

Action	Who	Progress
Send listserv participants fact sheets related to the FAST Act as they are completed	Rondinella	Sent the link to the FAST Act public website, where fact sheets related to the entire act will be posted by U.S. DOT. The link is: http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/fastact/factsheets/
Send RRISC outreach schedule to Annie for distribution on FICMNEW listserv	Cameron	

Review of last meeting notes distributed by listserv (All) – No issues with notes from previous meeting, notes approved.

Discussion: *National Invasive Species Awareness Week (NISAW)*

by Scott Cameron, President, Reduce Risks from Invasive Species Coalition (RRISC)

- NISAW events
 - **Background on 2016 event:** NISC formerly had an important role in planning NISAW but has stepped back due to lobbying that occurs as part of the event. NISC asked RRISC to take over planning.
 - **Events are being planned in DC for NISAW including a NISAW Fair / Congressional Reception to be held from 4-7 PM on Thursday, February 25th:**
 - The Congressional Reception is being planned in conjunction with the Congressional Invasive Species Caucus. This is a large event that will include a reception and passive invasive species fair with tables with information and hands-on activities. Agencies, non-profits, and companies have been invited to participate. This is an opportunity to interact with congressional representatives and provides a forum to educate congressional staffers about what participants are doing to address the issue of invasive species and the challenges they pose to resources. Eight to ten tables have been reserved thus far.
 - The Congressional Reception and Fair Event begins at 4:00 pm with table set up at 3:00 pm. There will be food and speakers at the event. USDA APHIS Administrator Kevin Shea will speak at the reception on the actions taken by Feds to address invasive species. U.S. Congressional Representatives Mike Thompson, CA and Dan Benishek, MI, of the Congressional Invasive Species Caucus will likely be there. Event planners expect about 150 congressional staffers from interns to Congressmen.
 - **RRISC needs funding support for the event.**
 - **Must confirm reservation of table at the reception and fair by February 1st.**
 - FICMNEW participants include: APHIS, ARS, FWS, BLM, USGS, and likely NPS
 - See <http://www.nisaw.org/meetings/2016/2016-webinar/> for information on Webinars during NISAW.

RRISC is aggressively raising issue of invasive species on Capitol Hill. Scott will email RRISC outreach schedule to Annie.

Participants' Roundtable (All)

- **FHWA (Rondinella)** – Congress passed long term bill funding FHWA. The bill is called Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act). Information will be forthcoming to explain the bill.
 - Rondinella will send Fact Sheets over the next several weeks related to environmental issues addressed in FAST Act including vegetation management to protect pollinators.
 - General information on FAST is also available at the U.S. DOT FAST site: <https://www.transportation.gov/fastact/>



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- **WSSA (Van Wychen)** – Preparing for annual meeting in San Juan, Puerto Rico from Feb 8-11. Sessions topics will include herbicide resistant weeds and pollinator habitat (2016 Meeting Program - <http://wssa.net/wp-content/uploads/2016-WSSA-SWSS-Program.pdf>). For more information about the WSSA annual meeting, go to: <http://wssa.net/meeting/2016-meeting/>.
- **USFS (Ielmini)** – The USFS is involved in a lot of activity around invasive species and restoration.
 - The Collaborative Restoration Workshop, sponsored by the National Forest Foundation, Denver, CO, April 26-27, 2016 -- FICMNEW members and weed management folks are encouraged to participate but registration is first come, first served. Registration is limited to 300 participants. There is a discounted rate for presenters. For more information, see the workshop web site: <https://www.nationalforests.org/collaboration-resources/collaborative-restoration-workshop>.
 - Efforts associated with the Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (WAFWA) and following the Western Invasive Weed Summit in Boise, ID -- Next step is to create a range-wide strategic action plan on invasive weed species of sage grouse habitat.
 - Sagebrush ecosystem restoration meeting coming up in April in Idaho. BLM is involved in planning. See: <http://www.greatbasinnp.org/upcoming-events/2016/1/29/restoration-of-sagebrush-ecosystems-ntc-1730-60>

Next meeting –Wednesday, March 30, 2016, 2:30-4:00 PM eastern. (February meeting cancelled due to NISAW events.)

Presentation ideas welcomed, email asimpson@usgs.gov

Appendix A Potential Acronyms List

Term	Meaning [not all terms are in this document]	Term	Meaning [not all terms are in this document]
ACK55	Bioherbicide <i>Pseudomonas fluorescens</i> strain ACK55	MOU	Memorandum Of Understanding
AM	Ante Meridian (morning)	NAISF	North American Invasive Species Forum; (formerly Weeds Across Borders)
ANSTF	Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force	NAISMA	North American Invasive Species Management Association (formerly NAWMA)
APHIS	Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture	NAISN	North American Invasive Species Network
APIPP	Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program	NAWMA	North American Weed Management Association (former name, now NAISMA)
ASAP	As Soon As Possible	NBVC	Naval Base Ventura County, Department of Defense
BLM	Bureau of Land Management, Department of Interior	NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
BOR	Bureau of Reclamation, Department of Interior	NGO	Non-Governmental Organization, generally not-for-profit
CO	Colorado	NIFA	National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Department of Agriculture
CONABIO	National Commission for Knowledge and Use of Biodiversity (in Spanish)	NISAW	National Invasive Species Awareness Week
CWMA	Cooperative Weed Management Area	NISC	National Invasive Species Council
D7	bioherbicide <i>Pseudomonas fluorescens</i> strain D7	NISMS	National Invasive Species Management System (Bureau of Land Management)
DC	District of Columbia	NOAA	National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Agency, Department of Commerce
DHS	Department of Homeland Security	NPS	National Park Service, Department of Interior
DOE	Department of Energy	NW	North West
DOI	Department of Interior	NY	New York
DOS	Department of State	OESHA	Office of Environment, Safety and Health Assessments, Department of Energy
DOT	Department of Transportation	OMB	Office of Management and Budget
EA	Environmental Assessment	PA	Pennsylvania
EAB	Emerald Ash Borer	PM	Post Meridian (afternoon)
EDDMapS	Early Detection and Distribution Mapping System	PRISM	Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management
EDRR	Early Detection Rapid assessment and Response	RFP	Request For Proposals
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement	RFS	Renewable Fuel Standard program (EPA)
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency	RIN	Regulation Identification Number (EPA)
ET	Eastern Time	RRIS	Reduce Risks from Invasive Species Coalition
FACA	Federal Advisory Committee Act	SAFED	FICMNEW elist for federal employees
FAST	Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act of 2015	SD-DA	South Dakota Department of Agriculture
FEIS	Fire Effects Information System	Spp	species
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation	TN	Tennessee
FICMNEW	Federal Interagency Committee for the Management of Noxious Exotic Weeds	URL	Web address; Uniform Resource Locator
FWS	Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of Interior	US	United States
GrSG	Greater Sage Grouse	USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
ICR	Internal Control Review	USFS	United States Forest Service, Department of Agriculture
IPC	Invasive Plant Control, Inc.	USGS	United States Geological Survey, Department of Interior
IPM	Integrated Pest Management	WAB	Weeds Across Borders (now North American Invasive Species Forum)
ISAC	Invasive Species Advisory Committee (FACA Committee of NISC)	WRA	Weed Risk Assessment
ITAP	Federal Interagency Committee on Invasive Terrestrial Animals and Pathogens	WSSA	Weed Science Society of America
LLC	Limited Liability Company		
MAP-21	Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act		